

I have just recently subscribed to XM radio as I live in somewhat remote area in the Pocono Mountains. My choices for radio entertainment and news in this area are quite limited. Nassau Broadcasting has purchase most of the local radio stations in the area and converted them all to the same format: Classic Rock. I am tired of listening to the same song selections. And as a Baby Boomer, I want to hear oldies and those stations have switched to Classic Rock. I sent a note to the radio station, 99.9 in Allentown, and asked why they abandoned the oldies format as their sister station 93.5 in Stroudsburg had also switched to Classic Rock. They basically told me that they needed to make more money by drawing in a younger crowd 20 - 35 year olds vs. 40 - 50 year olds.

XM radio has solved that problem for me. I can listen to 60's all day long!

I see no need for the FCC to limit what XM customers have access to. This is the same situation that we went through with DirectTV providing local channels. Due to that we were without ABC, CBS, and NBC for several years as even a power antenna did not give us great reception. But, the networks would not allow DirectTV to provide us the channels without going through years of paperwork.

We should be able to choose what we want to listen to and if we are where we get our information from. XM customers will still listen to AM and FM.